#### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE

#### **A PEOPLE OF WISDOM?** (from Soul Matters)

When the topic of wisdom comes up, so do the usual images. Walls and walls filled with dusty old books. Elders with the wisdom of many years carved into the wrinkles on their faces. Diplomas framed and filling one's office wall. Endless letters placed in front and behind your name (Dr, PhD, LCSW, JD, Rev, etc).

The message: wisdom is about accumulation. If you want to be wise, you need to pile it on. More knowledge. More experience. More books to read. More gurus to follow. More degrees to get.

But then words like these sneak into the conversation:

Knowledge is a process of piling up facts; wisdom lies in their simplification.

- Martin H Fischer

There is no need to "acquire" the knowledge of God. There is only the dropping of the illusion and forgetfulness.

- Omid Safi

Besides the noble art of getting things done, there is the noble art of leaving things undone. The wisdom of life consists in the elimination of non-essentials.

- Lin Yutang

It's a reminder that the math of wisdom is often the opposite of what we think. It's more a game of subtraction than addition. Often, accumulation of knowledge doesn't get us closer to wisdom; it's just in the way. There's a sorting, simplifying and stripping away that needs to occur. It's about unknowing as much as knowing.

Just think about how deeply we get tangled up in those cultural messages about money and success. Or the way degrees, IQ tests and SAT numbers get mixed up with status rather than the pursuit of truth. Or the way political parties, religions and even science claim to have *all* the answers. Maybe this is why the Sufi poet Hafiz wrote:

The Beloved sometimes wants
To do us a great favor:
Hold us upside down
And shake all the nonsense out.

we've forgotten.

And with all the nonsense shaken out and stripped away, maybe what we notice most is not so much the pearls of wisdom themselves, but the sources of wisdom

When reason and logic hog the spotlight, the wisdom of the body rarely enters the room. When week-long retreats with the newest guru define the path to wisdom, we stop asking what our failures and mistakes are trying to teach us. When "experts" sit in the center, the wisdom of those on the margins is lost.

So many untapped sources. So much wisdom waiting to be known.

Makes one think that maybe the wisest question of all this month is: "Where have I not looked before?"



#### MARCH 2020 SUNDAY SERVICES

Our theme in March explores
"What does it mean to be a people of **Wisdom?**"

#### MARCH 1 "KNOWLEDGE AND WISDOM"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone reflects, "We are inundated with knowledge. Alexa and Siri know everything! At our fingertips lie answers to any question--history, math, science, religion, geography or popular culture. However, having what we most need--wisdom--is not so easy. What can we learn from icons of wisdom like the Greek Goddess Athena and the Hebrew King Solomon? In this age of knowledge, can we still summon wisdom?" Our convener is Marisa Larson at 240 305-0895 or marisa.larson@gmail.com.

MARCH 8 "WISDOM FROM THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS: SCRIPTURE AND PRACTICE"
Rev Jonalu Johnstone presents this service. Wisdom from the World's Religions, one of our six UU Sources, invites us to explore a wide assortment of traditions to call "wisdom." How do we sort the wheat from the chaff, and discover the wisdom from ancient sources? How can all that old stuff from wildly different contexts inform life in this particular place and time? Our convener is Tom Phillips at 405 880-648 or twp1@ksu.edu.

### MARCH 15 "WORKING TOGETHER TO PROTECT PARENTAL RIGHTS IN KANSAS"

Join us to hear from Tom Page, President of the National Federation of the Blind of Kansas. In recent years, midwestern parents who happen to be blind have had to use the courts to fight for their parental rights. Tom will speak about this and other civil rights issues affecting blind Kansans. Tom is a touring musician, and will contribute special music to our Sunday Service. Our convener is Dick Beeman at 785 317-7576 or rbeeman@cox.net.

MARCH 22 "THE WISDOM OF TREES AND ROCKS: How WE LEARN FROM NATURE"
Rev Jonalu Johnstone reflects, "Recent books like *The Wisdom of Trees* and *Braiding Sweetgrass* have recalled us to old, deep sources of wisdom, learning from nature itself. More than 20 years ago, we added 'Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature' as a UU Source. What have we learned about how to not only live in harmony with the rhythms of nature, but also to actually learn from those rhythms?" Our convener is Michael Oldfather at 785 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

#### MARCH 29 "UNEXPECTED WISDOM"

Rev Jonalu Johnstone reflects, "Sometimes, wisdom surprises us. The child who declares that you can't appreciate the web without the spider. The sudden intuition that gives you the answer you couldn't puzzle out. The dream that reminds you of who you really are. How do we stay open to the possibilities of unexpected wisdom? How do we recognize it and use it to better our lives and those of others?" Our conveners are Rob Morrison and Emily Fraser at 480 861-1732 or william.robert.morrison@gmail.com.



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#### COMING UP ...

Join Jonalu Johnstone before the service on Sunday, **MARCH 22**, to explore UU history of the **WOMEN'S MOVEMENT**. More on page 4.

New members and friends are invited to a **Welcoming Social**, on Friday, **March 20**. Learn more on page 4.

There are many opportunities to get involved in our re-energized **SOCIAL ACTION TEAM**. More on page 5.

A **CALL FOR ARTISTS** has been issued as we set-up a new art display in the narthex. Learn more on page 6.

We have a congregation full of caring, concerned people.

Several of us met recently to discuss what we do well as a congregation to take care of one another, and what we can do better. Though we don't have a regularly meeting committee, we do have a Caring Team, a bunch of people who extend themselves in one way or another. These are the folks who gathered.

There's a lot we do right. The group felt particularly good about the support received for significant losses.



Our memorial services feel loving. Our informal interactions, hanging around after services to connect, and rich small group life help many folks feel supported. We do well in volunteering when asked to bring meals.

At the same time, we are afraid of people falling through the cracks. What about people who don't belong to any of our small groups or feel connected with others in the congregation? How do we make sure people don't miss the love and attention we would like to give?

This is an issue not only for the group of people who regularly provide care to others (shout outs to Caring Team members Betty Banner, Sylvia Beeman, Jen Campbell, Harriette Janke, Elke Lorenz, Dixie Moreau, Sandy Nelson, Kathleen Oldfather, Jane Pelletier, Cybil Perkins, Tom Phillips, Jessica Sievers, and to everyone who leads or participates in a small group). Caring is an issue and responsibility for everyone in the congregation. If you need something--a listening ear, meals delivered while someone in the family is ill or grieving, a hug, transportation to the doctor--please ask. Contact me, or if it's more comfortable, someone you know from the fellowship. And if someone asks you, and you don't know where to go, call me or the fellowship office.

Unitarian Universalists can be very independent and self-reliant--a good feature most of the time. Sometimes, though, that independence and self-reliance can keep us from asking for what we need. And keep others from providing the care they would like to give. Or maybe

we're afraid that if we ask, we'll end up disappointed. Please, though, give us a chance.

As I write, my partner had surgery in the last week. I have received a card from the fellowship, and several people checking in to make sure she's doing OK (she's doing great!) and asking if there's anything we need. It has felt like there was a group of people who truly care. Thanks to all who reached out.

We truly have a congregation full of caring, concerned people.

Jonalu

Talk to Rev Jonalu Johnstone following Sunday services, or contact her at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net. Read Jonalu's blog at uufm.net/topic/minister-blog/

#### **REV JONALU JOHNSTONE'S SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, March 3 - 1 to 5 pm

Wednesday, March 4 - 10 am to 12 pm

Radina's in Aggieville

Thursday, March 5 - 1 to 5 pm

Tuesday, March 10 - 1:30 to 5 pm

Wednesday, March 11 - 2 to 4 pm

Radina's in Aggieville

Tuesday, March 17 - 1 to 5 pm

Wednesday, March 18 - 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Radina's in Aggieville

Thursday, March 19 - 1 to 5 pm

Tuesday, March 24 - 1:30 to 5 pm

Wednesday, March 25 - 12:30 to 2:30 pm

Radina's on the Hill

Thursday, March 26 - 1 to 5 pm

Tuesday, March 31 - 1 to 5 pm

During office hours, contact Jonalu at the Fellowship at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net. During "out-of-office" hours drop in to Radina's for coffee and a chat.

#### **MARCHING ON**

The month of March marks our move into the study of World Religions. Elementary students will get a taste of various faith traditions and 7th grade and up students will continue the neighboring faiths curriculum.

#### WE'RE CELEBRATING PI DAY!

Spring is right around the corner and we're ready to celebrate. How about a little pie on Pi Day? Saturday, March 14 the annual St Patrick's Day parade starts at 1 pm, in Aggieville.

After that we're celebrating Pi Day! From 1:30 until 3:14 pm, we're serving up pie at Sandy's house, 1906 Blue-stem Terrace. Everyone is welcome! There will be puzzles, games, toys, conversation, and PIE! Want to bring a pie to share? Contact Sandy for details. (Accessible parking at the top of the driveway.) Learn more from Sandy Nelson at 785 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net

#### REGISTER YOUR CHILD(REN)

Remember, all children must be registered for the 2019/2020 school year. Registration forms are available on the RE bulletin board at the end of the hallway, as well as online at <a href="http://form.iotform.us/form/51486475507160">http://form.iotform.us/form/51486475507160</a>.

### **OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL)**

Our Whole Lives for our K-1 students wraps up in March. The weekly sessions have been very engaging for the students (and the leaders). Be sure to view the large mural they created in the hallway. Many thanks to Sarah Bridges, Jessica Sievers, and Marisa Larson for rotating as co-leaders for this class and to them and Justin Harms, Kim Martinson, and Jen Campbell for participating in the training last summer so that we can continue to offer this important curriculum.

#### **UU WORLD TRAVELERS--** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

THE SUMMER PROGRAM IS COMING! Once again, our Religious Education students travel around the world learning new skills without ever leaving Kansas. Every week a new host from the Fellowship will take them on a "tour" of a ... far-away place, new skill, imaginary or real-life destination. UUFM World Travelers are looking for you. Our students would love to visit with you on a Sunday morning and learn all about one of your passions. Do you enjoy bird watching? Share your passion! Do you love to cook? Share your passion! Have you been on a cruise? Share the adventure with our children! A sampling of past "journeys" include: a trip through the Milky Way Galaxy, a search through the Amazon, a journey to Laos complete with Laos "bingo" as a learning tool, exploration of cave art, the world of bees, a tour of PIZZA! Got a seed of an idea? Talk to Sandy. She'll work with you to turn it into a whole program. It's easy--just ask a few of the folks who have done it in the past: Tom and Monta Manney, Dick Beeman, Larry Weaver, Ken Em-bers, Sylvia Beeman, Mark Clarke, Brice Hobrock, Scott Tanona, Lily Colburn, Matt Campbell, Susan Adamchak ... Let's add your name to the list! If you'd like to host a "tour" or just help out as an extra adult in the room, please let Sandy know. We have lots of slots to fill and always welcome volunteers.

#### **DRE'S SCHEDULE**

Sandy will be available in the Fellowship office on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

Talk with Director of Religious Education Sandy Nelson most Sunday mornings before or after the service, or contact her at 785 341-0135 or DRE@uufm.net.

The **Women's Coffee** group meets EVERY MONDAY and THURSDAY at 9:30 am, at McDonald's in Westloop. Join us for morning coffee and conversation. Learn more from Jane Pelletier at 785 537-0954 or mjanepelletier@gmail.com.

The **Men's Lunch** group meets EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 12 noon, in the Jupiter room (large RE room). Bring a lunch for yourself and come prepared for lively conversation. Learn more from Michael Oldfather at 785 537-3738 or mou812@ksu.edu.

Don't miss **BEER AND THEOLOGY** on the FIRST FRIDAY of every month. This month, we meet on MARCH 6, at 7 pm, at Auntie Mae's in Aggieville. Contact Chris Bailey at 785 341-8997 or meadbailey@gmail.com.

The UUFM **Book Discussion Group** meets Friday, March 27, at 10 am, at the Cattell home. We'll be discussing *Founding Sisters and the Nineteenth Amendment*, by Eleanor Clift. Learn more from Susan Adamchak at 785 477-4407 or sadamchak@kansas.net.

#### **WELCOMING SOCIAL**

Come get acquainted at a Social gathering for people who are new to the the Fellowship in the last six months. Join us for food and drinks on Friday, March 20, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, at the home of Brice and Shirley Hobrock, 2812 Stone Valley Drive. If you plan to attend, *please RSVP* to Shirley at 785 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com.

#### THEMES IN UU HISTORY AND THEOLOGY

We meet on *SELECT SUNDAYS, BEFORE THE SERVICE*, at 9:30 am (dates vary). This year, we're exploring UU history and theology through a social justice lens. We'll dive deep on a few particular themes, discovering how Unitarians, Universalists, and Unitarian Universalists applied their theologies to work for justice in the world. *Let us know by the Wednesday before if you'll need childcare*.

- MARCH 22 WOMEN'S MOVEMENT Though Unitarians and Universalists were active in women's rights since the 19th century, women began to come fully into their power within Unitarian Universalism theologically, politically, and even artistically, in the 1970's. The Women and Religion Resolution in 1977 led to surprising places.
- **APRIL 19 UTOPIANISM** A number of nineteenth century Unitarians and Universalists established utopian communities. That's only one way that utopianism has shaped our theological and social justice practices. Does utopianism contribute to successful social justice movements?
- MAY 17 FREE SPEECH The 1950's brought repression of freedom of speech to America. Among those called to testify before the House of Representative Committee on Un-American Activities (ironically named) were Unitarian clergy. What does free speech mean to us today, and how do we ensure we can exercise it?

#### MINISTERIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Fellowship members who haven't submitted their nominations for the Ministerial Search Committee by Friday, March 6, may expect a contact from a Board member seeking those nominations before the Board meeting, on March 18. Nomination guidelines are available for review at http://uufm.net/ministerial-searchcommittee/. Submit your nominations to any Board member: Jessica Sievers, 785 532-8471 or sieversj@gmail.com; Eli Martinson, 785 564-7603 or elias.martinson@gmail.com; Rob Morrison, 480 861-1732 or william.robert.morrison@gmail.com; Cathy Hedge, 785 537-1101 or catherinejeanhedge@gmail.com; Lily Colburn, 785 236-0053 or lilymcolburn@gmail.com; Les Loschky, 785 317-2226 or loschky@gmail.com; or Mark Mayfield, 785 410-3073 or ferguson.mayfield@gmail.com.

#### MEADOWLARK HILLS SERVICE

Our monthly service at Meadowlark Hills gathers on Wednesday, MARCH 25, at 3 pm, in Meadowlark's Flint Hills room. Invite your friends and join us for this discussion-based exploration. Learn more from Jonalu Johnstone at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

#### TAI CHI

Join Mark Moser and Jonalu Johnstone to practice some easy Chi Gung warm-ups, and learn Wu and Yang styles of Tai Chi. We welcome anyone of any skill level, whatever you know or don't know about this kind of spiritual movement. We meet at 9 am, on Saturday Mornings, at the Fellowship. Learn more from Mark at 785 537-5028 or mark@grapeviner.com.

## SUGGESTIONS REQUESTED FOR HELPING HANDS RECIPIENTS

If there is a local helping organization that you wish we would include in the Helping Hands offerings, please let us know. Talk to Dixie Moreau in person or contact her at 785-477-8188 or dixie.moreau53@att.net. Thank you!

#### **CRISIS CENTER AND MESI SUPPORT TEAM**

Grab one of the spots on the newly forming CCI AND MESI SUPPORT TEAM. This team helps with established Spring and Fall collections of personal care and other items needed by the Manhattan Emergency Shelter and The Crisis Center. Duties of this team are to set the dates for the drives; communicate the dates and items needed to the Fellowship; promote the drives in the newsletter and bulletins; collect, sort and deliver the items. The next drive will be in April. Youth are encouraged to participate. Learn more from Judy Nickelson at 785 304-0086 or judynickelson@gmail.com.

#### **UUFM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS** offer a great way to get acquainted and get involved, and each team serves three or four Sundays each year. Learn more from Susan Turner at 785 539-3272 or office@uufm.net.

This month, Fellowship volunteers prepare and serve **Happy KITCHEN COMMUNITY BREAKFAST** EVERY FRIDAY MORNING, from 7 to 8:30 am, at St Paul's Episcopal Church. *If* you'd like to learn more, or you're ready to join one of our Happy Kitchen teams, contact Tom Phillips at 405 880-6483 or twp1@ksu.edu, or Rob DeLong at 417 761-2488 or rkdelong@gmail.com.

If you are creative, visually oriented, attentive to detail, and work well on your own, consider volunteering to maintain our UUFM **BULLETIN BOARDS**. You make choices about format, design, and when you'll do it. Contact Sue Turner at 785 537-2349 or office@uufm.net, or Jonalu Johnstone at revjonalu@uufm.net to learn more.

#### **HELPING HANDS**

In March, Helping Hands contributions will be collected for **Wonder Workshop**, providing opportunities for growth and learning to area children. Learn more at <a href="https://www.wonderworkshop.org">www.wonderworkshop.org</a>.

In February, Fellowship members and friends contributed our morning collections to the Kansas Abortion Fund. THANK You all for your generous donations! Learn more from Helping Hands coordinator Dixie Moreau at 785 477-8188 or dixie.moreau53@att.net.

## FAIR TRADE COFFEE, TEA AND CHOCOLATE

Equal Exchange whole bean, ground, and decaf coffees, as well as chocolate and tea are available for purchase. To learn more, or to purchase fair trade products, see Anne Cowan following Sunday morning services at the Equal Exchange kiosk in the Fellowship's narthex, or contact her at 785 537-2025 or anne\_cowan@sbcglobal.net.

Equal Exchange works in collaboration with the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC). Sourced directly from farmer cooperatives, following the standards and principles of fair trade on 100 percent of its products.

#### **RACIAL JUSTICE TEAM MEETING**

UUFM members and friends gather to grow our understanding, and plan effective action on racial justice issues. Join Jonalu Johnstone and our Racial Justice team Sunday afternoon, MARCH 1, at 4 pm, at the Fellowship. Learn more from Jonalu at revjonalu@uufm.net.

#### FELLOWSHIP TO HOST AN ASYLUM SEEKER

The UUFM Social Justice Team is arranging to host an asylum seeker through the organization, Al Otro Lado (<a href="https://alotrolado.org/">https://alotrolado.org/</a>). When Asylum seekers enter the U.S., they are kept in detention and separated from their children. Eventually they receive legal status to remain in the county awaiting their immigration hearing for more permanent status. Asylum seekers are then released from detention if they have a place to go. The Social Justice team will provide that home for several months until they can obtain a work permit and be on their own. While under our support, in addition to a home, we will provide meals, clothing, medical care, transportation and more. Although there are many unknowns with this project, we are excited about addressing, in a small part, the unfair system our county has created. So far, about 12 UUFM members have offered some services including a home with Anne Cowan. We have not yet been assigned a specific person and timeline. At that point we hope to have a gathering to update everyone. To learn more, or offer some assistance, talk to Anne Cowan at 785 340-5001 or anne cowan@sbcglobal.net.

UUFM is updating the art in the Narthex, and we would love to display your work. With new members and new energy, we are trying something a bit different. While not necessary, we would love for art to coordinate with the upcoming Soul Matters themes for the Sunday services, including wisdom, liberation, thresholds, and play. Even if you don't

think your artwork fits these themes--submit it! We may be able to find a place for it. Art must be accompanied by a submission form attached to the work, **no later than** March 27. Art must be framed or mounted, and can be given to Sue at UUFM during her office hours: Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday from 1-5:30 pm, or Saturday, from 2-5 pm. Art from our previous exhibit will be placed "backstage" to be picked up after March 27. Contact

Rob Morrison, at 480 861-1732 or william.robert.morrison@gmail.com.

Please attach this form to your artwork entry.

### **UUFM ART SUBMISSION FORM**

Name
Phone
Email
Title of Work
Medium



All month in April we'll be collecting items to support

The Crisis Center and

### Manhattan Emergency Shelter (MESI)

Items identified by them as MOST NEEDED include diapers, baby care items, standard kitchen size garbage bags, and laundry detergent. Personal care items, for men and women (such as razors, deodorant, and toothpaste) are always needed, as well.

Learn more from Betty Banner at 785 776-1887 or bettybanner@gmail.com.

THE MANHATTAN NONVIOLENCE INITIATIVE PRESENTS

March

#### Poverty Simulation

March

Reading by US Poet Laureate. Joy Harjo

March

#### Talk20MHK

May

Interbelief MHK Gathering and Potluck Meal

MORE INFORMATION AT MNVI. WEEBLY.COM & FACEBOOK.COM/MANHATTANNONVIOLENCE



## WHAT CHOICES WOULD YOU

Poverty is a reality for many individuals and families. But unless you have experienced poverty, it's difficult to truly understand. Join us on March 21: Participants from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Volunteers from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m for an interactive immersion experience that will help you understand the realities of living in poverty.

Sponsored by:



First Congregational UCC First United Methodist Church First Presbyterian Church

Saturday, March 21, 2020 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Presby Place Gym First Presbyterian Church 801 Leavenworth St.

Manhattan, KS

### Online at

http://bit.ly/MHKpoverty simulation (no spaces in url)

> Volunteers by Feb. 15 Participants by Mar. 15

Questions? Contact Jennifer Edwards jremezzo@gmail.com Or

785-341-7909.

## COFFEE AND GREETING TEAMS



- March 1: Cathy Hedge, Jessica Sievers, and Susan Gormely
- March 8: Laura Bonella, Jane Pelletier, and Sarah Desmet
- March 15: Les and Miki Loschky, Lorn Clement and Lynn Ewanow
- March 22: Harriette Janke, Tom Phillips, and Susan Adamchak
- March 29: Anne Cowan, Enell Foerster, Chris Bailey, and Kim Ewing

Learn more about coffee and greeting teams from Shirley Hobrock at 785 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com.

#### **NEED A NEW NAME TAG?**

If you would like your preferred pronouns noted on your name tag, please let us know. There is a \$6 fee to replace lost name tags, or get a new magnetic version. Name tags are provided without cost for new members. Let us know your name tag preferences. Contact Madilena Mendiola at 858 472-8326 or madilenam@gmail.com.

#### Administrator's Schedule

Monday, March 2 - 1 to 6 pm Tuesday, March 3 - 1 to 6 pm Thursday, March 5 - 1 to 6 pm Saturday, March 7 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 9 - 1 to 6 pm Tuesday, March 10 - 1 to 6 pm Thursday, March 12 - 1 to 6 pm Saturday, March 14 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 16 - 1 to 6 pm Tuesday, March 17 - 1 to 6 pm Thursday, March 19 - 1 to 6 pm Saturday, March 21 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 23 - 1 to 6 pm Tuesday, March 24 - 1 to 6 pm Thursday, March 26 - 1 to 6 pm Saturday, March 28 - 2 to 5 pm Monday, March 30 - 1 to 6 pm Tuesday, March 31 - 1 to 6 pm

Drop in at the Fellowship during Susan Turner's office hours, or call 785 537-2349, or email office@uufm.net.

#### HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Contact Fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 785 539-3272 or office@uufm.net to **UPDATE YOUR MAILING ADDRESS**, **PHONE**, or **EMAIL**, or to **CANCEL YOUR SUBSCRIPTION** to this newsletter. You may also contact Susan to learn how to join our private **COFFEE AND CONVERSATIONS FACEBOOK** group.

If you've considered **BECOMING A MEMBER** of UUFM, ask Welcoming chair Shirley Hobrock at 785 776-3175 or shirleyjhobrock@hotmail.com, or Jonalu Johnstone at 785 537-2349 or revjonalu@uufm.net.

Fellowship members may receive **UU WORLD MAGAZINE**, without cost. An audio version of *UU World* is available for those with vision or reading difficulties. To subscribe, contact Susan Turner at 785 537-2349 or office@uufm.net. Read *UU World* online at <a href="www.uuworld.org">www.uuworld.org</a>.

Join in discussions of interest; receive information on community events, and last-minute updates and announcements on our UUFM **EMAIL LIST**. Contact list moderator Ruth Welti at welti@ksu.edu to subscribe.

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#### **SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please contact fellowship administrator Susan Turner at 785 537-2349 or office@uufm.net, **NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY EVENING** with announcements and information for inclusion in the Sunday morning order of service bulletin.

#### **CARING FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS**

If you need a ride or could use a hand, or if you know members or friends who are experiencing life challenges and would appreciate assistance or support, please let our Caring Committee know. Contact us at 785 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.

#### **BUILDING USE AND SCHEDULING**

Please check with Susan Turner to be sure your desired date is available before finalizing plans for any use of the Fellowship building, including **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**, Fellowship activities, or private events that will be held in the Fellowship building. To confirm building availability and schedule your activity, or for more information, contact Sue at 785 537-2349 or office@uufm.net.

#### **APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

The deadline for submissions to the March edition of *The UUFM Voice* will be Sunday, **March 15**. Submissions received later may not be included in the newsletter. Please send your newsletter contributions to Susan Turner at 539-3272 or office@uufm.net.

# MARCH 2020 at UUFM

Tuesday Wednesday **Thursday** Sunday Monday Friday Saturday 6 7 AM HAPPY **KITCHEN** breakfast 1 TO 6 PM 1 TO 6 PM St Paul's Episcopal 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE SUSAN TURNER 10 AM TO 12 PM SUSAN TURNER JONALU JOHNSTONE at Knowledge and Wisdom 1 TO 5 PM 1 TO 5 PM 1 TO 6 PM Radina's in Aggieville 2 TO 5 PM **JONALU JOHNSTONE JONALU JOHNSTONE** SUSAN TURNER at **SUSAN TURNER** at 3:30 TO 4:30 PM 3:30 TO 4:30 PM **12** NOON Fellowship, 537-2349 7 PM BEER AND THEOLOGY Fellowship, 537-2349 SANDY NELSON at MEN'S LUNCH SANDY NELSON at Auntie Mae's Parlor 4 PM RACIAL JUSTICE MTG Fellowship, 537-2349 Fellowship, 537-2349 Jupiter room 9 8 **12** NOON **7** AM HAPPY MEN'S LUNCH **KITCHEN** breakfast 1 TO 6 PM S TURNER Jupiter room St Paul's Episcopal 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE 1 PM ST PATRICK'S DAY 1:30 TO 5 PM J JOHNSTONE 1 TO 6 PM Wisdom from PARADE - Aggieville **SUSAN TURNER** 1 TO 6 PM 3:30 TO 4:30 PM S NELSON 2 TO 4 PM the World's Religions: 1:30 TO 3:14 PM PI DAY 3:30 TO 4:30 PM at Fellowship, 537-2349 **SUSAN TURNER** at **JONALU JOHNSTONE** at Scripture and Practice at Sandy's, 341-0135 Radina's in Aggieville SANDY NELSON at Fellowship, 537-2349 **7 PM BOARD MEETING** 2 TO 5 PM Fellowship, 537-2349 Mark Mayfield, 776-6495 SUSAN TURNER 15 16 Q 7 ам Нарру **12** NOON 1 TO 6 PM 1:30 PM 1 TO 6 PM KITCHEN breakfast MEN'S LUNCH 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE **SUSAN TURNER POVERTY SIMULATION** SUSAN TURNER St Paul's Episcopal Jupiter room Parental Rights in Kansas 1 TO 5 PM 1st Presbyterian Church 1 TO 5 PM 1 TO 6 PM pg 7 in March newsletter JONALU JOHNSTONE 1:30 TO 3:30 PM **JONALU JOHNSTONE SUSAN TURNER** at 12:30 PM TEEN LUNCH 3:30 TO 4:30 PM JONALU JOHNSTONE at 3:30 TO 4:30 PM Fellowship, 537-2349 2 TO 5 PM SANDY NELSON at Radinas in Aggieville SANDY NELSON at SUSAN TURNER at Fellowship, 537-2349 Fellowship, 537-2349 Fellowship, 537-2349 23 26 7 AM HAPPY KITCHEN breakfast **12** NOON 9:30 AM 1 TO 6 PM 1 TO 6 PM MEN'S LUNCH **UU HISTORY AND THEOLOGY SUSAN TURNER** SUSAN TURNER St Paul's Episcopal The Women's Movement 12:30 TO 2:30 PM 1:30 TO 5 PM 1 TO 5 PM 1 TO 6 PM 2 TO 5 PM **10 AM BOOK DISCUSSION JONALU JOHNSTONE** at **JONALU JOHNSTONE** JONALU JOHNSTONE 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE **SUSAN TURNER** at **SUSAN TURNER** at Radinas on the Hill Judy Cattell, 539-7883 3:30 TO 4:30 PM 3:30 TO 4:30 PM The Wisdom of Trees and Fellowship, 537-2349 Fellowship, 537-2349 SANDY NELSON at SANDY NELSON at Rocks: How We Learn 3 PM Fellowship, 537-2349 Fellowship, 537-2349 from Nature MEADOWLARK SERVICE 29 30 1 TO 6 PM SUSAN TURNER 10:45 AM SUNDAY SERVICE 1 TO 5 PM Uexpected Wisdom 1 TO 6 PM **JONALU JOHNSTONE SUSAN TURNER** at

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